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SUBJECT:W/W ARREST: PHYSICAL ABUSE OF ARRESTEES AND
PRISONERS.

REF: (A) LA PAZ 3552; (B) 76 LA PAZ 5066

1. IN VIEW LACK REPORTS FROM EMBASSY ON PHYSICAL ABUSE
DEPARTMENT HAS ASSUMED THAT PHYSICAL ABUSE AT TIME ARREST/
INTERROGATION AND DURING DETENTION IS NOT RPT NOT A
PROBLEM IN BOLIVIA. THUS IN LIGHT EARLIER REPORT (REFTEL
"B"), RECENT REPORT PHYSICAL ABUSE AT TIME ARREST (REF-
TEL "A") COMES AS A SUPRISE, AND COULD PLACE BOTH EMBASSY
AND DEPARTMENT IN EMBARRASSING POSITION.

2. SITUATION POINTEDUP BY MICHELLE FRYER STATEMENT ON U.S.
TELEVISION SUNDAY EVENING THAT SHE HAD WITNESSED REPEATED
BEATING OF MALE PRISONERS ALTHOUGH SHE HERSELF NOT RPT NOT
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PHYSICALLY ABUSED. SHE STATED FURTHER THAT AFTER MENTIONING
INCIDENTS TO CONOFF SHE WAS NO LONGER WITNESS TO SUCH IN-
CIDENTS.

3. SINCE DEPARTMENT FILES SILENT ON THIS MATTER, EMBASSY
REQUESTED ON URGENT BASIS REVIEW ALL ARREST CASES TO DETER-
MINE WHETHER THERE ARE ALLEGATIONS OF PHYSICAL ABUSE AND

REPORT TO DEPARTMENT. SINCE OUR PREVIOUS ASSUMPTION
REGARDING PHYSICAL ABUSE MAY BE ERRONEOUS EMBASSY
REQUESTED PROVIDE ASSESSMENT EXTENT SUCH ABUSE. CHRISTOPHER

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